STATE of WISCONSIN



WHEREAS; the manufacturing industry employs more than 461,000 Wisconsinites, accounts for 18 percent of gross domestic product, and contributes over \$56 billion to Wisconsin's economic growth; and

WHEREAS; manufacturers such as Foxconn, Haribo, and Generac are choosing to locate or expand in Wisconsin due to the state's highly skilled workforce, top-10 business climate, and world-class education system; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Foxconn to implement a high-tech manufacturing and technology ecosystem that will transform the state's economy, creating up to 13,000 jobs, 10,000 construction jobs, and 22,000 additional indirect or induced jobs; and

WHEREAS; employers in the machinery, fabricated metal, food, plastics and rubber, and electrical and transportation equipment subsectors are currently leading growth in the state's manufacturing industry; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin government agencies and partnering organizations play a key role to support Wisconsin manufacturers and workers through investments that advance workforce and economic development, enable private-sector job creation, and move toward greater prosperity and independence; and

WHEREAS; state cabinet agencies, as well as the Wisconsin Technical College System, Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce and other stakeholders come together to plan and promote the month's events;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim October 2017 as

MANUFACTURING MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.



By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 15th day of September 2017.

SCOTT WALKER GOVERNOR